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3. Copy of International Search Report for PCT US04/00659 (1 pg.);
4. Certificate of Mailing (1 pg.); and
5. Return Receipt Postcard.

With respect to additional fees, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any required fees or credit overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is respectfully requested that each of the documents shown on the attached form(s) PTO-1449 be made of record in this application. Copies of the United States Patents are not being submitted per the August 5, 2003, OG Notice regarding Information Disclosure Statement filings. A copy is enclosed of the International Search Report for corresponding PCT/US04/000659. Also enclosed is a copy of the following articles: Koegler, Wendy S. and Cornelius F. Ivory, J. Chromatogr, A. 229 (1996) 229-236, USA (7 pp.) and Li, S.F.Y., Capillary Electrophoresis Principles, Practice and Applications, New York: Elsevier Science Publications, 1992. ISBN 0-444-89433-0, Especially Page 192.

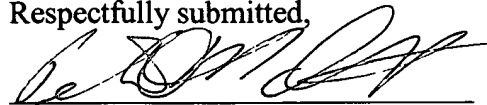
Early examination and allowance of the present application are respectfully solicited.

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